




I don't know about you...



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MOOD: 😞 lethargic

MUSIC: Bow Wow Wow - I Want Candy (it's YouTube's fault)

...but I feel so much better now.

Science of Mentos-Diet Coke explosions explained.

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Bow Wow Wow???? Blimey, that's a blast from the very distant past. I wonder if they are all working as accountants now?

And thanks for the link. I knew that there had to be some point to Diet Coke, but until now, it has eluded me.



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Did you know their label wouldn't promote "C30 C60 C90 Go" because they thought it could be interpreted as encouraging taping?

No, rly? Whoa!

(That's one of the folk songs of my infancy.)



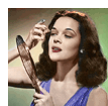
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No I didn't! But it has amused me. *G* My main memory of the band is the furore over THAT record cover.

Did you used to get "Home Taping is Killing Music" all over the place over your side as well? Ahh, the memories of taping the Top Forty on a Sunday evening and attempting to get a seamless segue by clever use of the pause button.



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Home Taping is Killing Music: Yeah, the Recording Industry Association of America loves that one. It's got a beat they can dance to.



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Oh Noez.

We killed Music.


ooops.

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The messing around we do & get paid for? We do-

FOR SCIENCE!!!!!!

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Oh, and speaking of SCIENCE- you've probably seen this already but-


<http://www.guardian.co.uk/science/2008/may/08/genetics.wildlife>



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Yes, I am even odder than scientists thought.

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Huh. Platypus', Yeti crabs, penguins. Maybe Lovecraft wasn't wrong ...

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Puppy wanted to do that, with diet A&W. But then he ate the mentos...



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Lucky for you combining them in your stomach doesn't work the same way...

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:::snerch::::

He didn't drink the A&W b/c that's what he was afraid of...and also...diet...ewwww.



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And it sounds as if you'd have to swallow the Mentos whole. All of them. Fast. Could be a good way to find out if any of your friends know how to do the Heimlich Maneuver.

I wonder what would happen if you held the Mentos in your mouth and filled the rest of the space with Diet Coke...



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You ever have diet coke come out your nose?

Leaves a tingly fresh feeling in your sinuses. For days afterwards.

Okay, maybe not "fresh."

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I think coke coming out of the nose is slightly better than coffee.

Only slightly though.



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During one of the hockey games we were watching a couple of weeks ago, I managed a mouthful of chunky mostly chewed up oreos.

NOT recommended. I was blowing little bits of cookie out of my nose for 24 hours. It HURT. And my GOD the feeling of all of that oreo in my sinuses was NAAAAASTY. I promptly lost my dinner.

(Which, of course, left the 13 year old roomie--who was wholly responsible in the first place--just TICKLED TO DEATH).



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Worst I've ever had was sneezing when I had a couple of Tic-Tacs in my mouth. One of them decided that lodging half-way through my sinuses was a grand idea, and it took me 5-10 minutes to get it out again. (Of course, it felt *much* longer than that.)

winces at the decades old memory



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[June 12 2008, 20:10:26 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Yeah, unlike a saline solution, the carbonation *really* polishes out those sinus passages.



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Whereas: Chunked up sharp-edged cookies and frosting? Not so much.



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It would be, mixed with Mentos!

(I can't try it now. The ~~guards assistant principal~~ nurses would catch me.)



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OMG. Now you said that and I soooooo want to try it. Or make Puppy try it. But not really. Because I AM a good mom, I AM. (don't call child control) (But, you know, I really do wonder. Could be ugly,

if it worked. Ben Templesmith could draw it...Hee!)

(I bounced, just a little, right there in my office chair).

Although, I don't think my mouth is big enough for that to work. I don't think enough mentos would fit inside. Or once I got them all in there....well, knowing me, we wouldn't need an explosion for there to be some sort of disaster with me trying to get the diet coke in there, too. I'd choke or something.

It would be entertaining to watch, though, I Guarantee It. Either way.

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Lather, Rinse, Reset



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My work here is done. Especially if you put it on YouTube.

 [pnkrokhockeymom](#)

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Well, but if it ends up more appropriately drawn by Ben Templesmith (exploding body parts related to my face???)....

....Dude, my face. My FACE.

I take no chances with the cheekbones. Srsly.



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Kinda like a Mr. Potato Head in reverse?

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::::snort:::::

Except I don't have little slots for to get put back together all pretty again.


But it would make a GREAT COMIC. With *someone else's* face.



 [eljefe](#)

June 12 2008, 22:47:29 UTC COLLAPSE

There must be some sort of drinking game that will take advantage of this phenomenon. . . .

 [psistriker](#)

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Uh, helloooo, the Mythbusters guys did this over a year ago. And Jamie also proved that if you put the Mentos in your mouth and take a swig of diet Coke you'll spit foam, which doesn't work very well if you have a handle bar mustache. ::heesh:: Scientists really need to watch more TV. :)



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Actually, if you read the article, you will notice that the Mythbusters episode is discussed.



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Physicists, chemists, and engineers. Hardcore *Mythbusters* fans. When the show gets a casual shoutout in an article in *New Scientist* crediting their contribution to the research, you know it's true. *g*

Even my dad watches *Mythbusters* now.



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Your *Dad* watches Mythbusters?

I disbelieve!



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Well, not until I told him to. Heh.

I wonder if I should tell him about *Good Eats*?



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It can only help his cooking!



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Dirt would help my dad's cooking. Srsly.





[beatriceeagle](#)

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My dad watches *Mythbusters*, too.



This makes me vaguely uncomfortable for a reason that I can't quite pinpoint.

Well, no, I can. I'm worried he'll try one of the experiments. *g*

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

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Maybe he'll let you help!

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If we're very, very lucky.

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Actually I just skimmed it so I missed that part, my bad. But my point about trying to spit foam through a handlebar mustache still stands. ;)

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I want to know how I missed that episode. Sheesh.

Unfortunately, I am moustacheless. So I cannot independently verify the foam-suppression capabilities of unrestrained facial hair. *g*

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